

**Bloomington Park District
Board of Commissioners Meeting
January 26, 2015
Johnston Recreation Center**

Call to Order

President Puccio called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Andre Burke, Michael Childress, Karen Johns, Mike Vogl and Buzz Puccio and staff members Carrie Fullerton, June Fergus, Andrea Pindak, Josh Hendricks, Sandy Vangundy and Joe Potts.

Recognition of Visitors

There were no visitors present at this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to approve the minutes of December 8, 2014 meeting as presented. On voice vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Staff Reports

Comments were made that the Oasis marketing plans are very nice. Josh Hendricks provided details on the 30 second commercial that is in production.

New Business

Ordinance 2015-01

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to accept Ordinance No. 2015-01, An ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2014 to pay debt service on the General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2008, and General Obligation Refunding Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012B, of the Bloomington Park District, DuPage County, Illinois. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye:	Johns, Childress, Burke, Vogl, Puccio
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

Bloomington Artists Association Request

The Bloomington Artist Association requested board approval to conduct a silent auction fundraiser at the BPD Museum.

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to approve the request from the Bloomington Artists Association to host a silent auction fundraiser to support their \$500 Visual Fine Arts Scholarship May 9 through June 6, 2015 at the Bloomington Park District Museum. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye:	Burke, Childress, Johns, Vogl, Puccio
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

Ordinance 2015-02

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to approve Ordinance 2015-02, An ordinance declaring certain Park District personal property as surplus and authorizing the sale or disposal. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Vogl, Childress, Burke, Puccio
Nay: None
Absent: None

Other Items Before the Board

Springfield Park Baseball Fields

A quote was received from W-T Engineering for the potential development and upgrade of the baseball fields at Springfield Park. The quote included both grass infields and synthetic turf. The board agreed that adding a concession stand with bathrooms that are accessible from the outside, professional costs, and landscaping could make the total cost of this project close to \$3M.

President Puccio and Executive Director Fullerton will meet with other potential partners to review this information and discuss their interest in this proposed project.

IPRA/IAPD Conference – January 2015

Commissioners Vogl, Childress, Burke and Puccio attended the annual IAPD/IPRA conference. The board agreed that the seminars were great and IPRA presented more than 200 seminars for parks and recreational professionals.

President Puccio directed staff that based upon a session he attended, that all executive meeting audio tapes should be destroyed after 18 months and 1 day of the date of said meeting.

Board Retreat

Discussion was held concerning the need and/or interest in holding a board retreat for the current board of commissioners. The consensus from the board is that there is no need for a retreat at this time.

Potential Community Garden at Springfield Park

A conceptual plan for a community garden site at Springfield Park was reviewed and discussed. A drawing was presented for review. The purpose of a community garden is to provide fresh produce to the food pantry at Bloomingdale Township. Our initial plan is to start with three gardens for produce and one rain garden. Additional gardens will be potentially phased in later. The Board suggested we draft a Memorandum of Understanding on specific case standards for the gardens.

Acceptance of Financial Report

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to accept the Financial Report dated January 2015. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Childress, Burke, Vogl, Puccio
Nay: None
Absent: None

Approval of Directive to Pay

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to approve the Directive to Pay dated January 26, 2015. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Burke, Childress, Vogl, Johns, Puccio

Nay: None

Absent: None

Executive Session

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Childress, to not enter into Executive Session. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Johns, Childress, Burke, Vogl, Puccio

Nay: None

Absent: None

Adjournment

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Vogl, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. On voice vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Fullerton
Board Secretary